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1. BRUNET, DIRECTOR OF ECONOMIC AFFAIRS, MFA, HAS GIVEN ECON/COM MIN SOME ADDITIONAL INSIGHTS INTO SEPTEMBER 14 "SUMMIT DINNER" HOSTED BY GISCARD. BRUNET SAID HIS INFORMATION WAS SECONDHAND. NEITHER HE NOR SAUVAGNARGUES HAD BEEN PRESENT AT THE DINNER AND GISCARD HAD NOT DONE A REPORT FOR HIS MINISTERS. CONSEQUENTLY, THERE WAS NOT A GREAT DEAL HE COULD ADD TO PRESS ACCOUNTS OF LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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THE MEETING. TWO THINGS HAD IMPRESSED HIM: ONE WAS THE

FACT THAT THERE HAD APPARENTLY BEEN A CERTAIN AMOUNT OF DISSATISFACTION WITH THE PERFORMANCE OF WILSON WHO, AS BRUNET PUT IT, SEEMED TO BE TRYING TO BE BOTH IN AND OUTSIDE THE COMMUNITY AT THE SAME TIME. THE SECOND WAS THE TOUGH ATTITUDE OF SCHMIDT ON THE CAP. SCHMIDT HAD TALKED ABOUT "A SECOND STRESA," A REFERENCE TO A MEETING HELD AT STRESA, ITALY, IN THE EARLY YEARS OF THE COMMUNITY AT WHICH THE MAIN LINES OF THE CAP HAD BEEN DRAWN UP. IN OTHER WORDS, BRUNET SAID, SCHMIDT APPARENTLY WANTS TO TEAR UP THE CAP AND START ALL OVER AGAIN.

2. BRUNET SAID SAUVAGNARGUES HAD TOLD HIM THAT IT HAD BEEN HIS UNDERSTANDING THERE HAD BEEN NO SIGNIFICANT DISCUSSION OF ENERGY AT THE MEETING BUT THAT THE DANISH FOREIGN MINISTER HAD TOLD HIM, BRUNET, THAT GISCARD HAD TAKEN "A VERY TOUGH LINE" ON ENERGY. BRUNET WAS NOT SURE WHAT THIS MEANT.

3. ECON/COM MIN RECALLED THAT A MAIN PURPOSE OF THE SUMMIT DINNER HAD BEEN TO TAKE SOUNDINGS WITH THE OTHER GOVERNMENTS AS TO WHETHER ENOUGH COULD BE ACCOMPLISHED AT A SUMMIT MEETING THIS YEAR TO PREVENT IT FROM BEING A FAILURE LIKE THE COPENHAGEN SUMMIT. HAD ANY CONCLUSIONS BEEN REACHED ON THIS POINT? BRUNET SAID THAT NO CLEAR ANSWER TO THIS QUESTION HAD EMERGED AND THAT IN ANY CASE NO DECISION COULD BE REACHED UNTIL AFTER THE BRITISH ELECTIONS. HOWEVER, IT WAS HIS IMPRESSION THAT GISCARD WAS LEANING IN FAVOR OF A SUMMIT.

4. BRUNET CONCLUDED THAT, ALL IN ALL, THE SUMMIT DINNER HAD NOT AMOUNTED TO VERY MUCH AND HE CONTINUED TO BE QUITE PESSIMISTIC ABOUT THE FUTURE OF EUROPE. ONE SMALL RAY OF LIGHT WAS THE COMMUNITY LOAN. HE TENDED TO DISCOUNT THE PRESS REPORTS OF GERMAN NEGATIVISM ON THE FRENCH PROPOSAL. SCHMIDT HAD ALREADY EXPRESSED HIMSELF IN FAVOR OF IT AND HE BELIEVED THAT APEL'S NEGATIVISM AT BRUSSELS HAD BEEN MERELY TACTICAL. HE THOUGHT AGREEMENT ON THE LOAN WOULD BE REACHED WITHIN A MONTH.

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